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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHAIRMAN, COMPUTER SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Computer Security Problem Areas

1. In response to your verbal request at the last meeting of the Computer Security Subcommittee, the following priorities have been assigned to Army's previously identified computer security problem areas:

- a. Time Sharing Environment
- b. File Integrity
- c. Security of Remote Access Devices
- d. Collocation of Intelligence Data Handling Systems (IDHS) Command and Control
- e. Sanitization of Storage Media
- f. TEMPEST

2. On the subject of refurbishing damaged disc packs containing classified information, the Army would not oppose the conduct of a proposed feasibility study in this area as discussed at the last meeting. However, before any significant resources and efforts are devoted to such a study, it is believed that answers to the following questions should be obtained and evaluated:

a. What are the legal ramifications and relationships if a government activity should undertake to refurbish damaged vendor owned equipment which is leased by the Government? Army experience indicates that the majority of disc packs are leased equipment.

b. How many damaged disc packs contain classified information? The Army has 670 data processing installations which use approximately 160 disc drives. The total number of disc packs included in these drives is not readily obtainable. During the past six months, only one instance of a

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damaged disc pack containing classified information that could not be sanitized and returned to the vendor for repair has been reported by Army activities.

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